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100 Beautiful Lamps, worth \$2.25, at 98c.  
75 Beautiful Lamps, worth \$8.50, \$7.50 and \$6.50 at \$6.50, \$5.45 and \$4.65.  
50 Solid Oak Highly Polished Rockers, worth \$5.00, at \$3.48.

## Sutherland & Cherry

(Incorporated),

310 EAST BROAD,

"Just Across from the High Rent Stores." Wrong Side.

### HERO A SUICIDE

Made a Nervous Wreck by Experience, Drunk Police.  
STON, December 18.—Everett G. Lewis, who became a nervous wreck from his experience in saving ten lives at a fishing pier on the James, five miles out in the Gulf, five months ago, committed suicide by drinking laudanum.

When the hurricane of July 21 made fourteen persons prisoners at the hotel on the pier, Lewis strapped life preservers on his companions and stood by them on a raft throughout the stormy night. The building was demolished, but ten were rescued. Lewis also carried Will Davies, a legless guest at the pier, to the raft, fastened his cork legs to it, and cheered him ten hours until, from cause.

Falls From Skycraper Roof.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 18.—Slipping off a snow-covered beam over the elevator shaft on the roof of the new 24-story Oliver building to-day, John McNally, 48

years old, a rigger, plunged 412 feet into the basement. His skull was fractured and arms and legs broken. McNally lived forty-five minutes after the accident.

### FRICK GIVES \$10,000

Aid for Y. M. C. A. Building at Beverly, Massachusetts.

BEVERLY, MASS., December 18.—Henry Clay Frick, who has one of the finest estates in this part of the State at Eagle Rock, Prides Crossing, has sent a check to the Young Men's Christian Association building committee for \$10,000 for the new Young Men's Christian Association building which is to be erected in this city.

It was through the efforts of Councilman John L. Saltonstall, one of the richest summer residents on the North Shore, who went to New York to see Mr. Frick, that the check was presented to the association.

The corner-stone of the new building will be laid in June by President William H. Taft, who will come to Beverly to spend the summer at the summer White House at Burgess Point.

### LONG LIFE IS ENDED.

General Green B. Raum Dies at Home in Chicago.

CHICAGO, December 18.—General Green Berry Raum, former Commissioner of Pensions, died at his home here to-day after an illness of several weeks. He was eighty years of age.

General Raum was one of the best known Illinois men who took part in the activities which preceded the Civil War. He was born in Golconda, Ill., in 1829, and was admitted to the Illinois bar in 1855. As a member of the Democratic National Convention he supported Stephen A. Douglas for President in 1860, and after the fall of Fort Sumter made the first war speech in Southern Illinois.

He entered the Union army in 1861 as major of the Fifty-sixth Regiment, Illinois Volunteer Infantry, and rose to the rank of brigadier-general.

Wounded at Missionary Ridge. He led a successful bayonet charge at the battle of Corinth, served with Grant and Sherman, was severely wounded at Missionary Ridge and held the line of railroad in the rear of Sherman's army in the march to the sea. He defeated General Wheeler's raid, and under General Hancock had command in the Shenandoah Valley at the close of the war.

General Raum was a Representative from 1867 to 1869, and was United States Commissioner of Internal Revenue from 1874 to 1883. As Commissioner of Pensions his term extended from 1889 to 1893.

Interment will be at the National Cemetery at Arlington, Va., where the body will be taken to-day or to-morrow.

Served in Washington.

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 18.—General Raum was well known to many of the older governmental officials, as he gave up his residence here about fifteen years ago when he relinquished the office of Commissioner of Pensions, which he had held for four years. Previous to that time he had served as United States Commissioner of Internal Revenue, from 1874 to 1883. In later years he devoted much of his time to literary work. He wrote the "History of Illinois Republicanism" in 1900 and numerous magazine articles.

After the fall of Fort Sumter he made his first war speech in Southern Illinois. He returned to his Illinois home after the war, and in 1867 was sent to Congress, where he served one term. He retired to private life until 1876, when he was made Commissioner of Internal Revenue.

He made seven official reports while serving in this office, which are regarded as portraying much literary ability. He also made four reports as Commissioner of Pensions.

## PUBLIC MEETING TO AID MISSIONS

Laymen's Movement Arouses Great Interest in Petersburg.

### TWO NEW SCHOOL BUILDINGS

Damage Suit Against Passenger and Power Company.

Times-Dispatch Bureau, 109 North Seymour Street, Petersburg, Va., December 18.

A mass-meeting of the different denominations will be held in Washington Street M. E. Church Sunday night in the interest of the Laymen's Missionary Movement. Several of the prominent laymen of the city will deliver addresses, and short reports will be made on what has been done in being done in the city for the promotion of the movement. The meaning, the spirit and the methods of the movement will be the subject of the addresses. There is no question that this great matter has deepened in the people of Petersburg, and the response will be in the nature of an unusually large contribution for the spread of missions.

Joint Masonic Celebration. The three Masonic lodges in Petersburg—Blandford, No. 3, Petersburg, No. 15, and Powhatan Starke, No. 124—are arranging for a joint celebration of St. John the Evangelist's Day, December 24.

Suit was entered to-day in the Hustings Court by Miss Hattie S. Pierce against the Virginia Railway and Power Company for \$5,000 damages for personal injuries received some time ago. Hon. William R. McKenney represents the plaintiff. The papers were served to-day on the defendant company.

### Favor Incorporation.

A meeting of the citizens of Ettrick, just across the Appomattox in Chesterfield county, will be held on Monday to give expression to the sentiment of the people on the question of taking measures of having the village incorporated into a town. It is said that the people of this pretty village are divided in opinion as to incorporation, some favoring self-government, others opposing, on the ground of increased expenses. The scheme proposed sometime back of annexation to Petersburg has been practically killed by the adverse action of the upper branch of our City Council, the Board of Aldermen refusing to concur in a resolution passed by the Council for the appointment of a committee to investigate and report on the matter.

Personal and Otherwise. William S. Young has been elected a member of the Council from the Sixth Ward in place of John D. Shackelford, resigned.

The sales of loose tobacco at the warehouses this week aggregated 234,360 pounds, making total sales during the season to date 1,600,410 pounds, or about one-half of the sales for the corresponding season of last year. Dry weather is the cause of the decrease.

Charles Tallafiero, negro, was to-day sent to the Hustings Court for trial on the serious charge of criminal assault on a twelve-year-old colored girl.

The City School Board will open bids on December 30 for the construction of two large public school buildings in the western portion of the city, for which sites have been purchased. These buildings will be of modern style, containing twelve rooms each, to accommodate 600 pupils, and will cost about \$25,000 each. It is expected that Petersburg, Richmond and Newport News will furnish bidders for the work.

Delay in the delivery of the iron work for the new Norfolk and Western passenger station will delay the completion of that building for several weeks. It will probably not be ready for occupancy until early in February, or may be later.

### Several Deaths.

Mrs. Minerva Jane Evans, an old and respected lady, died this morning, after a brief illness, at the home of

## Gifts That Gladden the Heart

Are found in profusion in our superb stock.

### Watches

We are showing the most complete line of Watches ever exhibited in this city, in both gold and silver, and the range of prices are within the reach of all.

### Diamonds

The gift that is always most appreciated is a Diamond. It is a never-fading sign of prosperity and elegance. It attracts attention, and at the same time demands respect.

A few articles with prices may be of benefit in helping you to decide—

Diamond Rings .....	\$10.00 to \$500	Fountain Pens .....	\$ 1.50 to \$ 12
Brooches .....	\$ 1.00 to \$400	Watch Fobs .....	\$ 1.00 to \$ 25
Lockets .....	\$ 1.00 to \$ 50	Cuff Buttons .....	\$ 1.00 to \$ 30
Necklaces .....	\$ 1.00 to \$ 25	Scarf Pins .....	\$ 1.00 to \$200
Bracelets .....	\$ 2.00 to \$ 75	Umbrellas .....	\$ 3.00 to \$ 25
Set Rings .....	\$ 2.00 to \$ 20	Canes .....	\$ 5.00 to \$ 25
Plain Rings .....	\$ 1.00 to \$ 15	Montreux Sets .....	\$ 2.00 to \$ 30
Belt Buckles .....	\$ 1.00 to \$ 10	Comb, Brush and Mirror Sets .....	\$ 4.00 to \$ 35

As the busy Christmas rush is increasing daily, it is advisable that you make your selections early, thus avoiding the inconveniences that always accompany shopping during the last few days before Christmas.

We are pleased to open accounts with reliable persons.

## J. S. JAMES,

Seventh and Main Sts.

Open Evenings.



her son, Thomas M. Evans, on Canal Street. She was one of the oldest members of West Street Methodist Church, and is survived by one son and one daughter, the latter Mrs. Ellen Gibb, of Manchester.

Mrs. Margaret Tracey Robinson, wife of John A. Robinson, formerly of Adams, Mass., died last evening at her home on South Street, after a very brief illness, aged forty-seven years. She is survived by her husband and one child, and two sisters living in the North.

Mrs. Josephine Whelan, widow of Thomas B. Whelan, died yesterday at her home in Chesterfield county. She leaves three sons—Harry J. and James R. of Chesterfield, and Thomas H. Whelan, of Philadelphia.

Election of Officers. Appomattox Lodge, No. 16, I. O. O. F., last night elected officers for the ensuing term as follows: Noble Grand, Charles A. Chumley; Vice-Grand, J. Falter Brunet; Financial Secretary, P. T. Campbell; Recording Secretary, William T. Parham; Treasurer, R. E. Brunet; Chaplain, G. H. Wharton.

for James H. Shumadine, the father, asked a continuance of the case, and the hearing was set for next Wednesday in Police Court. None of the testimony in the case was heard. The specific charge is abduction.

### Weekly Bank Statement.

NEW YORK, December 18.—The statement of the clearing-house banks for the week shows that the banks hold \$14,447,700 more than the requirements of the 2 per cent. reserve rule. This is an increase of \$41,500 in the proportionate cash reserve as compared with last week. The statement follows: Loans increase, \$3,644,000. Deposits increase, \$12,532,300. Circulation decrease, \$122,500. Legal-tenders increase, \$1,722,400. Specie increase, \$1,118,500. Reserve increase, \$1,832,300. Reserves required increase, \$4,400,500. Surplus increase, \$481,200. Ex-United States deposits increase, \$32,500. The percentage of actual reserve of the clearing-house banks to-day was 25.62. The statement of banks and trust companies of Greater New York not reporting to the clearing-house banks for the week shows that they have aggregate deposits of \$1,255,277,600; total cash on hand, \$10,127,000, and loans amounting to \$1,181,415,500.

### McLendon-Covington.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] WADESBORO, N. C., December 18.—Invitations were issued to-day, announcing the wedding of Miss Gertrude Covington, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Jefferson Covington, to Larry Leonidas McLendon, at the First Baptist Church, Wednesday, January 6, 1910.

### Burn and Contents Burned.

STANTON, VA., December 18.—The fine barn of R. C. Blair, near Mossy Creek, was burned last night, with a large quantity of wheat, hay and feed. Three horses, four cows, hogs, stock, cattle, buggies, harness and farming implements were also destroyed. The loss is estimated at \$5,000, about half covered by insurance.

### \$350,000 FOR RUZ GEMS

Alfred G. Vanderbilt Said to Have Purchased Some of Them.

LONDON, December 18.—It is learned that the collection of jewels belonging to Mrs. Ruz, the friend of Alfred Gwynne Vanderbilt, who shot herself at her home in Grosvenor Street on Sunday, May 16 last, brought a little more than \$350,000 when sold under the hammer at Knight, Frank & Rutley's rooms on Monday last.

The sale did not attract the attention that might have been expected, owing to the fact that the late Mrs. Ruz was described as Miss Mary Agnes O'Brien, her maiden name. By announcing the sale of the jewels, the mystery was continuing the mystery that surrounded the life and death of the woman.

It is asserted that Mr. Vanderbilt was represented at the sale by an agent, who bought back much of the jewelry offered. A pear-shaped brilliant brought \$4,500, and a single-stone diamond ring \$5,675.

### ANOTHER RISE IN EGGS

Advance of Four Cents a Dozen in Chicago Markets.

CHICAGO, December 18.—An advance of 4 cents a dozen was made in the price of eggs by members of the butter and egg board yesterday, bringing the cost of fresh laid eggs to a point not attained in years at this season. Cold weather and bad country roads, impeding the movement of supplies, were given as the reason.

Housewives who have been paying 33 and 40 cents for "prime firsts" will be compelled to pay 42 and 44 cents a dozen to-day.

### Music and Flowers Mingle

From Tuesday afternoon until Christmas Eve, visitors to the store of Ralcliffe & Tanner, Florist, 25 West Broad Street, will see the most exquisite display of flowers and plants ever shown here, as well as being treated to music of an orchestra concealed among the palms and flowering plants.

### Buy Him This Sure

Young men of all ages need a watch. Nothing like a good watch does as well to regulate a man. Just such watches as C. Lundgren & Son, 731 East Main Street, are offering. A 14-carat, solid gold Elgin movement, thin, No. 12 size watch, only \$30.00. Buy him this for his Christmas present, and you will make him happy.

## THE TIME---THE PLACE THE GIFT.

The time is now—the place is our store and the gift is probably among the following articles. If you don't see it in this announcement you will find it in our extensive stock, which at this time is absolutely complete—and remember the early purchasers always secure the choice selections.

A few dozen Fine Quadruple Plate Silver Knives and Forks, \$5.00 value; while they last, \$3.00 per dozen.

Electroliers—The crowning efforts of art are fulfilled in the unique and tasty designs shown in this line.

Sheffield Plate—Such a variety of patterns in original designs—in plain, and chased effects were never before displayed in this city—they are simply exquisite.

Brass Novelties—Among them is a gift for every member of the family—cigar and match holders, trays, bowls, hand mirrors, Candlesticks—and dozens of other articles.

Art Wood Novelties—These are the newest attractions, and for originality and usefulness are unequalled—be sure and examine them.

Cut Glass—Its scintillating beauty permeates the whole department, you can spend hours in rapturous delight examining the wonderful patterns and cuttings, and be sure to find a gift for your dearest friend.

Glasses of all Kinds—For Champagne, with graceful tapering stems, heavier ones for clarets and punches—also Egg Nog Glasses, in all sizes and qualities.

Dinner Sets—Such variety, such beauty, such attractive pieces were never before shown in this city. There is no excuse for any home to be without them. A dinner set is the very thing your wife needs. It gives pleasure all the year round.

### Carving Sets.

A Fine Line Suitable for Christmas Gifts. Lowest Prices.

We want you to examine it, our stock contains, besides the regular line, a variety of novelties, to be found only at our store. Knives and forks for dinner, breakfast and supper, Fruit and Butter Knives, Tea and Coffee Spoons, Berry and Dessert Spoons, Butter Spoons, in fact everything necessary for a complete service.

Come now and select what you need and we will deliver it any time between now and Xmas.

THE E. B. TAYLOR CO.  
23 West Broad Street.

### STAR CLOTHING HOUSE,

Main and 14th Sts.

Store open every night until Christmas.

## Gifts Worth Giving

Nothing else does quite so well for a man's or a boy's Christmas as something he can wear. What he wears he'll appreciate.

Man or boy, what makes so satisfactory a Christmas gift as a Suit, Overcoat or Raincoat? If you do not care to invest so much, then a Hat, a Cap, or any of the many things in our Toggery Department. We've a host of things just right for gifts. We itemize just a few most appropriate at this season of the year, any of which will make most

### Acceptable Gifts

Bath Robes,  
Boxed Neckwear,  
Combination Sets,  
Boxed Arm Bands,  
Umbrellas,  
Dress Gloves,  
Work Gloves,  
Boxed Hosiery,  
Boxed Neckwear,  
Boxed Suspenders,

Handkerchiefs,  
Mufflers,  
Suit Cases,  
Collars and Cuffs,  
Jewelry,  
Coat Sweaters,  
Cardigan Jackets,  
Underwear,  
Pajamas,  
Shirts.

All articles bought for gifts will be packed in holiday boxes. Do your Christmas shopping at this store, where greatest values are offered.

## Star Clothing House,

K. FISHER & SON, Props.,

Corner Main and Fourteenth Streets.

### PROSECUTION RESTS CASE.

Progress in Trial of F. C. Thornton, Cashier of Defunct Bank.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] EUREKA, CALIF., December 18.—In the case of F. C. Thornton, cashier of the late Charlotte Banking and Insurance Company, the prosecution rested its case this afternoon. Most of the testimony for the prosecution was given by Messrs. Peple and Talbot, expert accountants, of Richmond, who examined the books of the bank for the receivers. Their testimony was voluminous, and for was attempted to be proved by them that the bank was insolvent when Mr. Thornton made his last report to the Corporation Commission.

The defense opened by putting on several bank cashiers as expert witnesses.

From present indications the case will continue for several days longer. The jury is being kept in charge of the sheriff and is not allowed to speak to any one or go to their homes.

### GOES INTO BANKRUPTCY.

Voluntary Petition Filed by Big Portsmouth Lumber Company.

NORFOLK, VA., December 18.—The William L. Walker Lumber Company, of Portsmouth, owned and operated by William L. Walker, has passed into the hands of the bankrupt court upon voluntary petition filed by Mr. Walker, who places his liabilities at \$32,099.20, and his assets at \$35,392.99. Foster V. Staples, of Portsmouth, has been appointed receiver of the bankrupt property under bond of \$10,000, but this appointment having been made at the instance of the bankrupt, Referee D. Lawrence Groner included in the order of appointment a proviso that any creditor or creditors desiring the appointment of a receiver may make application for the same upon one day's notice.

### VOGEL HELD FOR TRIAL.

Will Be Charged With Abduction of

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] NORFOLK, VA., December 18.—Announcing their ability to prove that T. P. A. Vogel had Miss Eulalia Shumadine in his care from an hour after her disappearance until she was found yesterday afternoon, on that she was with him the night she was away from home, Attorney Wolcott, counsel